

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A radio communication apparatus comprising:
radio communication means for effecting radio
communication by transmitting/receiving a radio signal;
5 information processing means for performing at
least storage and display of information;
input means for receiving an instruction from
a user; and

control means for disabling transmission of the
10 radio signal from the radio communication means while
keeping the information processing means operable, in
accordance with presence/absence of the instruction
from the user through the input means.

2. A radio communication apparatus according to
15 claim 1, wherein when a predetermined instruction from
the user has been accepted through the input means
within a predetermined time period from switch-on of
the apparatus, the control means keeps the information
processing means operable and disables the transmission
20 of the radio signal by the radio communication means,
and when the predetermined instruction from the user
has not been accepted through the input means within
the predetermined time period, the control means
enables the transmission of the radio signal by the
25 radio communication means.

3. A radio communication apparatus according to
claim 1, wherein the control means renders the

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information processing means operable after switch-on
of the apparatus, and if a predetermined instruction
from the user has been accepted thereafter through the
input means, the control means enables the transmission
5 of the radio signal by the radio communication means.

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4. A radio communication apparatus according to
claim 1, further comprising alarm means for indicating
that the information processing means is operable and
the transmission of the radio signal by the radio
10 communication means is disabled.

5. A radio communication apparatus according to
claim 1, wherein the information processing means has
at least one of a clock function for measuring and
displaying time, a scheduler function for storing
15 schedules, a telephone directory function for storing
telephone numbers, and a mailer function for storing
and displaying a received e-mail.

6. A method of controlling a radio communication
apparatus, the method comprising:

20 a radio communication step of effecting radio
communication by transmitting/receiving a radio signal;
an information processing step of performing at
least storage and display of information;
an input step of receiving an instruction from a
25 user; and
a control step of disabling transmission of the
radio signal in the radio communication step while

enabling processing in the information processing step,
in accordance with presence/absence of the instruction
from the user received in the input step.

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